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The Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OSCAR) provides a weekly snapshot of the availability of marine shipping containers at 18 different intermodal locations for the westbound transpacific trade lanes. The data shows the availability for five types of equipment, including 20 and 40ft dry, 20 and 40ft refrigerated, and 40ft high-cube containers, and provides estimates of equipment availability for the current week and projections two weeks out. The data are voluntarily provided to AMS by six members of the Transpacific Stabilization Agreement (TSA).

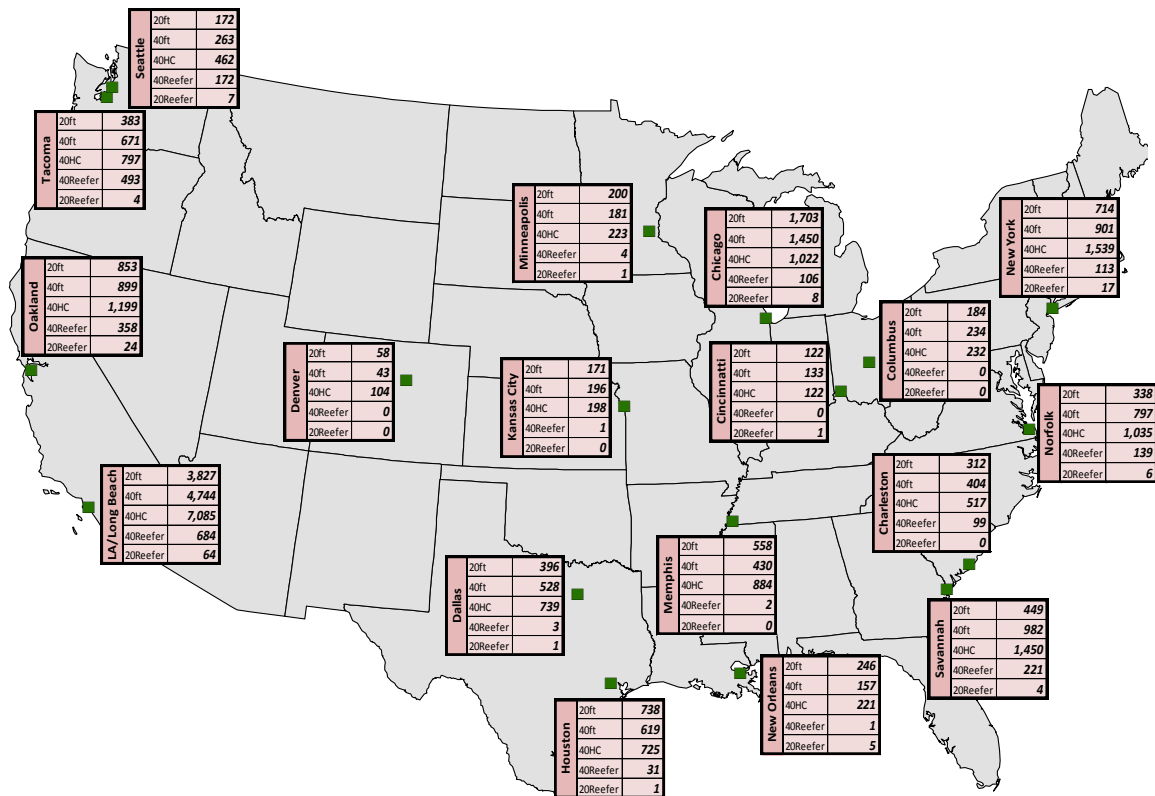
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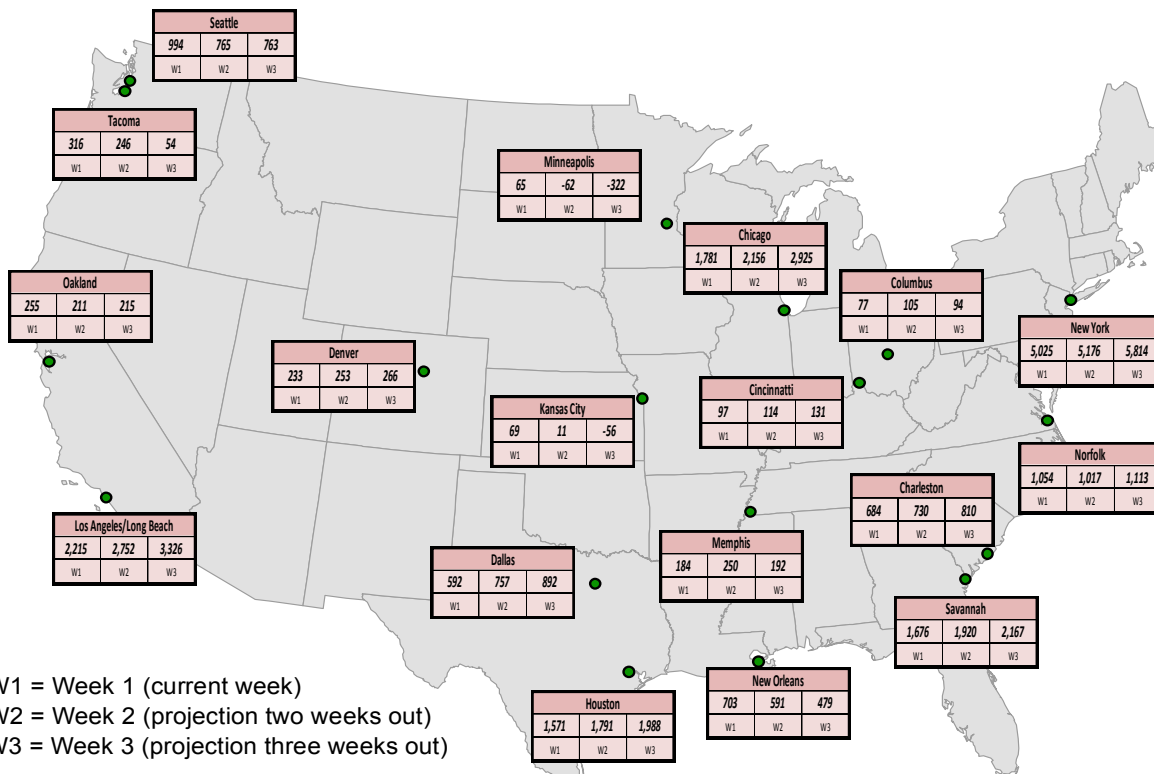
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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput



Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers



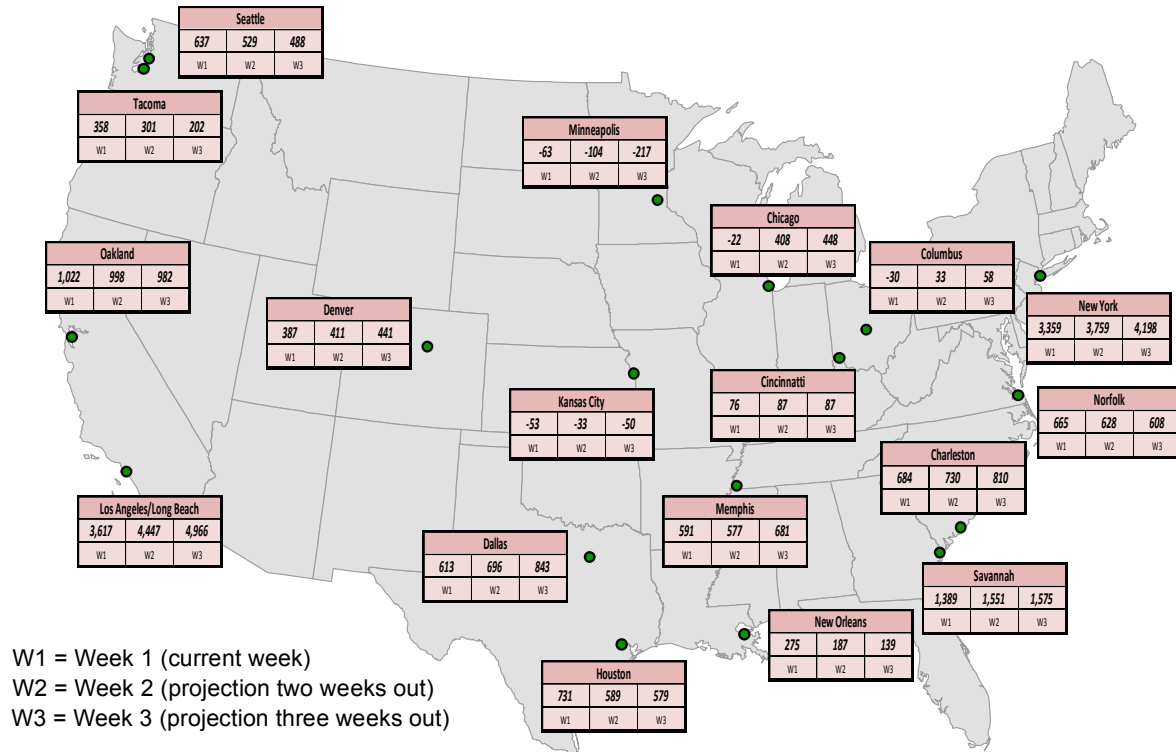
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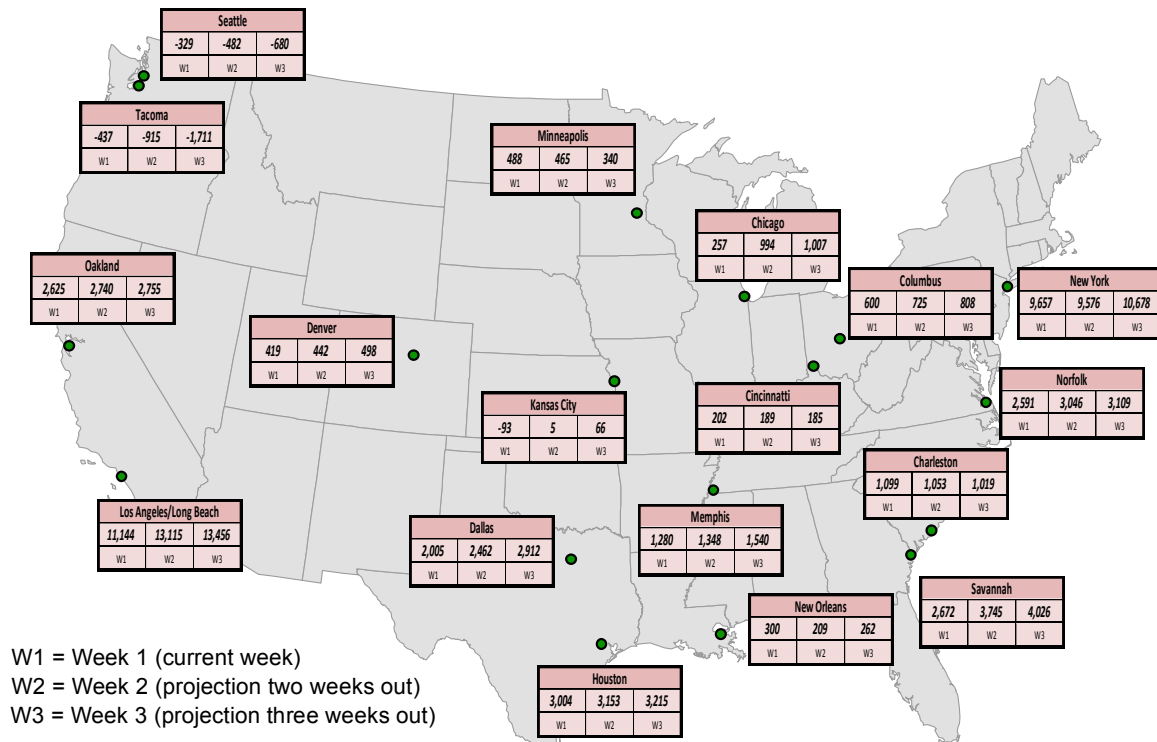
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Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Dry Containers



Average Weekly Availability for 40ft High Cube Containers

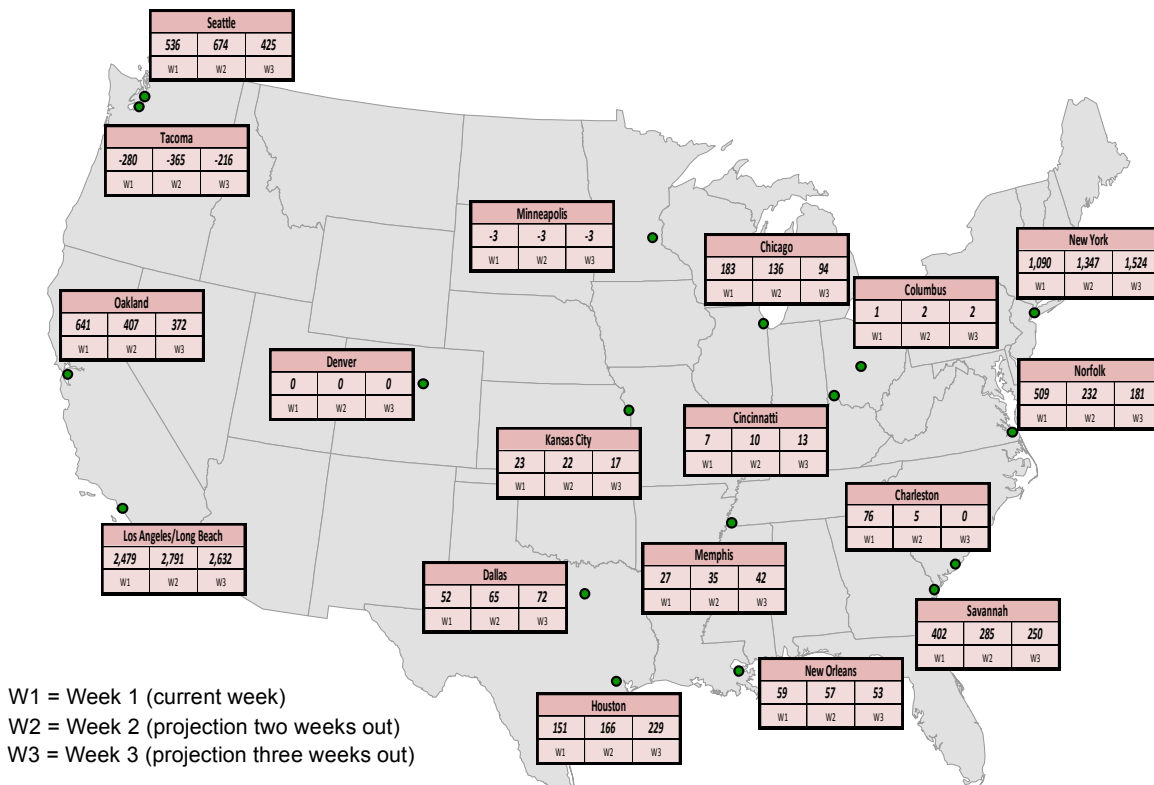


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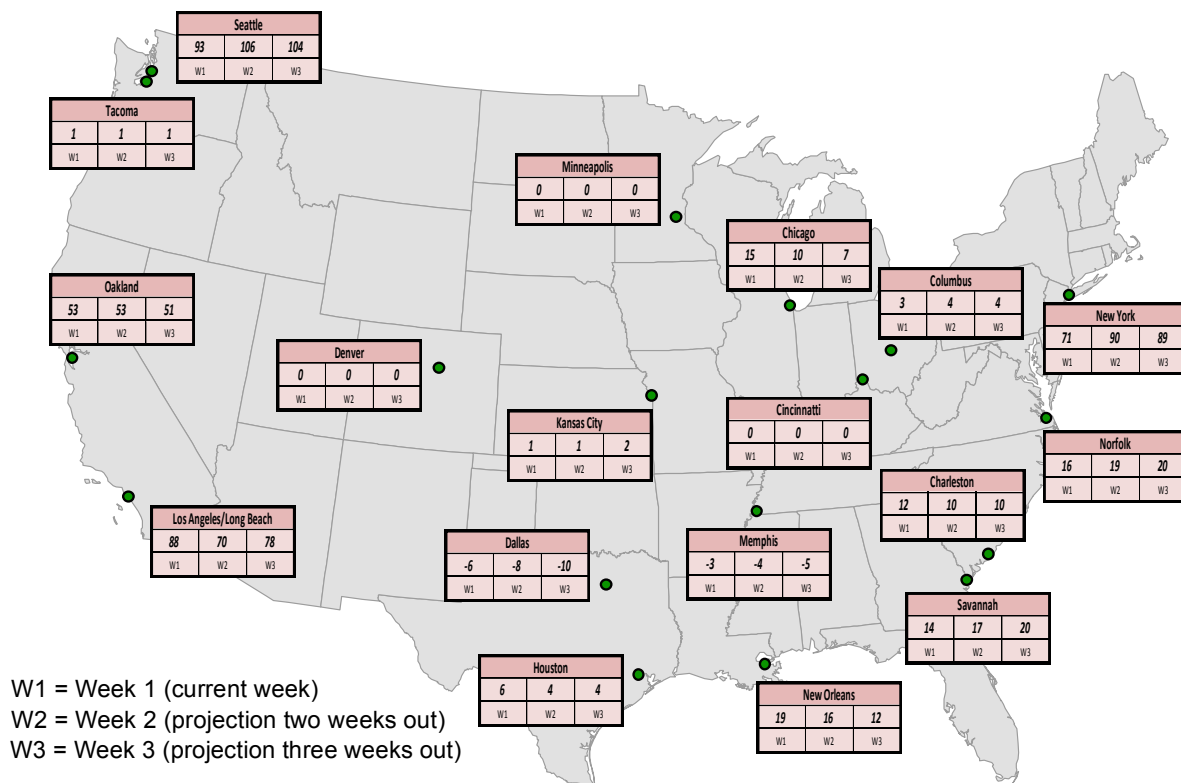
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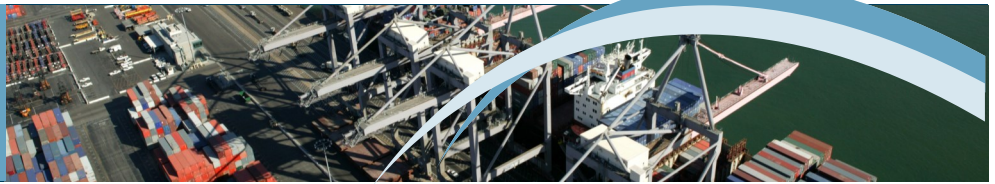


Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers



Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers





Charleston							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	286	113	98	72	64	51	684
Week 2: Mar 25-31	335	101	98	39	107	50	730
Week 3: Apr 1-7	389	97	98	50	126	50	810
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	612	226	210	124	98	59	1,329
Week 2: Mar 25-31	612	258	246	76	105	50	1,347
Week 3: Apr 1-7	612	284	268	88	118	50	1,420
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	422	274	171	100	67	65	1,099
Week 2: Mar 25-31	422	258	215	70	38	50	1,053
Week 3: Apr 1-7	422	247	257	37	26	30	1,019
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	69	57	6	-1	-55	.	76
Week 2: Mar 25-31	35	68	6	5	-109	.	5
Week 3: Apr 1-7	5	77	6	10	-98	.	0
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	10	2	.	.	.	.	12
Week 2: Mar 25-31	9	1	.	.	.	.	10
Week 3: Apr 1-7	9	1	.	.	.	.	10

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	312	0...108
40ft	404	0...200
40ft High Cubes	517	17...200
40ft Refrigerated	99	0...60
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



Chicago							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	702	679	381	29	14	-24	1,781
Week 2: Mar 25-31	702	816	561	0	8	69	2,156
Week 3: Apr 1-7	702	1,072	843	150	10	148	2,925
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	480	73	38	-66	-192	-355	-22
Week 2: Mar 25-31	515	70	24	-9	-192	0	408
Week 3: Apr 1-7	604	66	-67	37	-192	0	448
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	404	307	292	150	-372	-524	257
Week 2: Mar 25-31	526	382	328	130	-372	0	994
Week 3: Apr 1-7	745	205	317	112	-372	0	1,007
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	92	71	20	0	0	.	183
Week 2: Mar 25-31	76	40	20	0	0	.	136
Week 3: Apr 1-7	57	7	30	0	0	.	94
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	9	6	15
Week 2: Mar 25-31	5	5	10
Week 3: Apr 1-7	1	6	7

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	1,703	93...600
40ft	1,450	5...302
40ft High Cubes	1,022	34...405
40ft Refrigerated	106	0...51
20ft Refrigerated	8	0...4

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Cincinnati							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	50	24	17	15	0	-9	97
Week 2: Mar 25-31	50	23	15	27	-1	0	114
Week 3: Apr 1-7	50	30	17	35	-1	0	131
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	26	19	18	15	1	-3	76
Week 2: Mar 25-31	26	27	25	9	0	0	87
Week 3: Apr 1-7	26	35	24	4	0	-2	87
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	222	10	4	3	0	-37	202
Week 2: Mar 25-31	222	12	9	-3	0	-51	189
Week 3: Apr 1-7	222	5	26	-2	0	-66	185
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	7	0	.	.	.	.	7
Week 2: Mar 25-31	10	0	.	.	.	.	10
Week 3: Apr 1-7	13	0	.	.	.	.	13
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Mar 25-31	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Apr 1-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	122	7...35
40ft	133	8...30
40ft High Cubes	122	11...35
40ft Refrigerated	0	0...0
20ft Refrigerated	1	0...1

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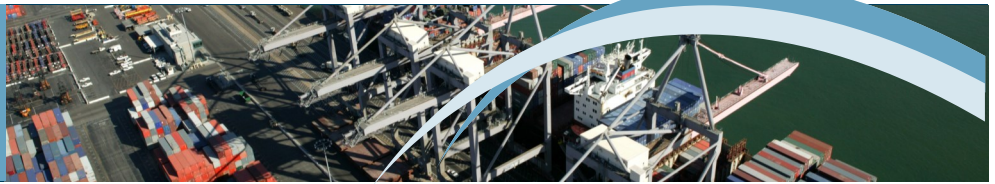


Columbus							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	30	22	21	7	3	-6	77
Week 2: Mar 25-31	30	55	24	10	5	-19	105
Week 3: Apr 1-7	30	65	16	10	4	-31	94
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	55	26	15	-7	-19	-100	-30
Week 2: Mar 25-31	82	31	18	2	0	-100	33
Week 3: Apr 1-7	91	42	24	1	0	-100	58
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	412	126	55	21	12	-26	600
Week 2: Mar 25-31	412	203	62	38	10	0	725
Week 3: Apr 1-7	412	274	71	43	8	0	808
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	1	0	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Mar 25-31	2	0	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Apr 1-7	2	0	.	.	.	.	2
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	3	.	.	.	.	.	3
Week 2: Mar 25-31	4	.	.	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Apr 1-7	4	.	.	.	.	.	4

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	184	8...60
40ft	234	6...80
40ft High Cubes	232	15...60
40ft Refrigerated	0	0...0
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

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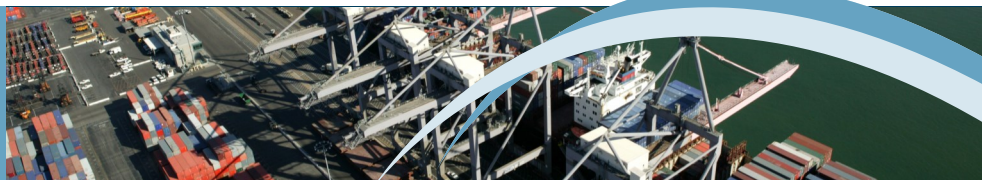


Dallas							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	199	148	104	69	55	17	592
Week 2: Mar 25-31	258	209	133	69	78	10	757
Week 3: Apr 1-7	340	252	161	69	60	10	892
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	234	154	128	119	28	-50	613
Week 2: Mar 25-31	274	108	99	187	28	0	696
Week 3: Apr 1-7	337	124	56	248	28	50	843
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	564	476	420	409	184	-48	2,005
Week 2: Mar 25-31	725	362	420	695	260	0	2,462
Week 3: Apr 1-7	964	412	420	690	326	100	2,912
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	34	18	0	.	.	.	52
Week 2: Mar 25-31	45	20	0	.	.	.	65
Week 3: Apr 1-7	50	22	0	.	.	.	72
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	-6	.	.	.	.	.	-6
Week 2: Mar 25-31	-8	.	.	.	.	.	-8
Week 3: Apr 1-7	-10	.	.	.	.	.	-10

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	396	5...150
40ft	528	12...250
40ft High Cubes	739	22...250
40ft Refrigerated	3	0...3
20ft Refrigerated	1	0...1

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Denver							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	88	60	58	26	2	-1	233
Week 2: Mar 25-31	96	60	62	26	10	-1	253
Week 3: Apr 1-7	104	60	70	20	10	2	266
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	224	59	58	24	16	6	387
Week 2: Mar 25-31	245	75	58	23	10	0	411
Week 3: Apr 1-7	266	80	58	24	10	3	441
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	202	135	33	24	21	4	419
Week 2: Mar 25-31	202	168	30	15	20	7	442
Week 3: Apr 1-7	202	232	29	7	20	8	498
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	0	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Mar 25-31	0	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Apr 1-7	0	.	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	0
Week 2: Mar 25-31	0
Week 3: Apr 1-7	0

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	58	3...17
40ft	43	1...10
40ft High Cubes	104	1...50
40ft Refrigerated	0	0...0
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

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Houston							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	729	373	236	170	34	29	1,571
Week 2: Mar 25-31	836	458	236	188	23	50	1,791
Week 3: Apr 1-7	948	443	236	233	28	100	1,988
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	390	240	84	77	-12	-48	731
Week 2: Mar 25-31	411	228	84	0	26	-160	589
Week 3: Apr 1-7	463	282	84	0	19	-269	579
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	1,486	620	601	239	43	15	3,004
Week 2: Mar 25-31	1,486	695	638	266	50	18	3,153
Week 3: Apr 1-7	1,486	655	683	321	50	20	3,215
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	60	45	44	2	0	.	151
Week 2: Mar 25-31	75	50	39	2	0	.	166
Week 3: Apr 1-7	91	100	36	2	0	.	229
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	5	1	0	.	.	.	6
Week 2: Mar 25-31	3	1	0	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Apr 1-7	2	2	0	.	.	.	4

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	738	50...316
40ft	619	50...126
40ft High Cubes	725	26...355
40ft Refrigerated	31	0...12
20ft Refrigerated	1	0...1

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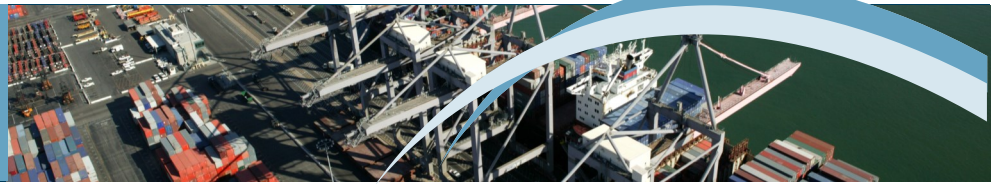


Kansas City							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	36	33	25	3	0	-28	69
Week 2: Mar 25-31	-61	33	42	0	-3	0	11
Week 3: Apr 1-7	-137	33	51	1	-4	0	-56
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	35	33	29	0	-38	-112	-53
Week 2: Mar 25-31	5	38	35	1	0	-112	-33
Week 3: Apr 1-7	-23	47	38	0	0	-112	-50
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	76	46	-2	-19	-71	-123	-93
Week 2: Mar 25-31	84	69	-3	-22	0	-123	5
Week 3: Apr 1-7	101	111	-2	-21	0	-123	66
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	17	6	0	.	.	.	23
Week 2: Mar 25-31	15	7	0	.	.	.	22
Week 3: Apr 1-7	9	8	0	.	.	.	17
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	1	0	1
Week 2: Mar 25-31	1	0	1
Week 3: Apr 1-7	1	1	2

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	171	7...60
40ft	196	9...75
40ft High Cubes	198	14...59
40ft Refrigerated	1	0...1
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

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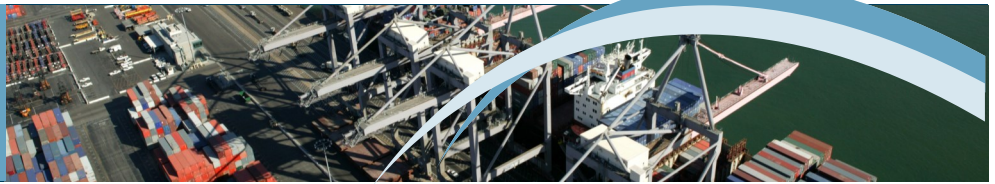


Los Angeles and Long Beach							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	725	586	566	313	212	-187	2,215
Week 2: Mar 25-31	576	659	566	558	400	-7	2,752
Week 3: Apr 1-7	610	721	566	825	500	104	3,326
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	1,005	685	606	604	558	159	3,617
Week 2: Mar 25-31	1,202	544	1,000	604	803	294	4,447
Week 3: Apr 1-7	1,378	520	1,000	604	965	499	4,966
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	3,548	3,439	2,464	1,169	656	-132	11,144
Week 2: Mar 25-31	3,548	4,000	3,781	1,245	646	-105	13,115
Week 3: Apr 1-7	3,548	4,000	4,208	1,200	531	-31	13,456
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	947	650	580	188	75	39	2,479
Week 2: Mar 25-31	967	673	562	214	75	300	2,791
Week 3: Apr 1-7	933	705	499	120	75	300	2,632
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	63	15	10	.	.	.	88
Week 2: Mar 25-31	40	20	10	.	.	.	70
Week 3: Apr 1-7	43	25	10	.	.	.	78

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	3,827	46...2500
40ft	4,744	83...3000
40ft High Cubes	7,085	203...3300
40ft Refrigerated	684	21...300
20ft Refrigerated	64	1...50

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Memphis							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	87	58	31	4	2	2	184
Week 2: Mar 25-31	87	55	60	13	36	-1	250
Week 3: Apr 1-7	87	83	60	9	-1	-46	192
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	233	192	92	80	2	-8	591
Week 2: Mar 25-31	268	194	50	80	11	-26	577
Week 3: Apr 1-7	308	229	100	80	7	-43	681
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	716	291	142	112	23	-4	1,280
Week 2: Mar 25-31	716	347	180	80	14	11	1,348
Week 3: Apr 1-7	716	382	311	100	25	6	1,540
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	25	2	0	.	.	.	27
Week 2: Mar 25-31	32	3	0	.	.	.	35
Week 3: Apr 1-7	38	4	0	.	.	.	42
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	-3	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Mar 25-31	-4	.	.	.	.	.	-4
Week 3: Apr 1-7	-5	.	.	.	.	.	-5

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	558	11...300
40ft	430	11...200
40ft High Cubes	884	9...600
40ft Refrigerated	2	0...2
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

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Minneapolis							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	171	99	66	36	3	-310	65
Week 2: Mar 25-31	171	105	81	25	-4	-440	-62
Week 3: Apr 1-7	171	93	-26	25	0	-585	-322
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	49	23	21	5	-59	-102	-63
Week 2: Mar 25-31	50	25	26	9	-112	-102	-104
Week 3: Apr 1-7	50	39	-41	8	-171	-102	-217
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	432	108	15	14	8	-89	488
Week 2: Mar 25-31	432	133	-2	30	7	-135	465
Week 3: Apr 1-7	432	92	-28	30	4	-190	340
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	0	-3	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Mar 25-31	0	-3	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 3: Apr 1-7	0	-3	.	.	.	.	-3
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	0
Week 2: Mar 25-31	0
Week 3: Apr 1-7	0

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	200	3...102
40ft	181	1...80
40ft High Cubes	223	2...144
40ft Refrigerated	4	0...4
20ft Refrigerated	1	0...1

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New Orleans							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	656	37	15	6	-1	-10	703
Week 2: Mar 25-31	565	37	13	10	0	-34	591
Week 3: Apr 1-7	464	37	15	10	0	-47	479
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	177	50	33	14	1	0	275
Week 2: Mar 25-31	119	24	29	14	0	1	187
Week 3: Apr 1-7	64	20	29	14	10	2	139
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	128	91	44	38	0	-1	300
Week 2: Mar 25-31	27	95	44	43	0	0	209
Week 3: Apr 1-7	61	107	44	40	10	0	262
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	35	24	0	.	.	.	59
Week 2: Mar 25-31	33	24	0	.	.	.	57
Week 3: Apr 1-7	31	22	0	.	.	.	53
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	14	5	.	.	.	.	19
Week 2: Mar 25-31	12	4	.	.	.	.	16
Week 3: Apr 1-7	9	3	.	.	.	.	12

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	246	5...158
40ft	157	5...80
40ft High Cubes	221	5...139
40ft Refrigerated	1	0...1
20ft Refrigerated	5	0...5

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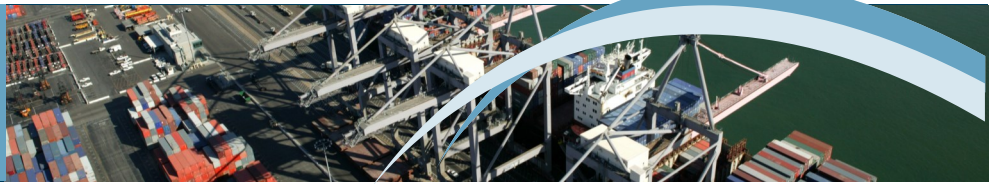


New York							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	1,255	1,207	999	878	450	236	5,025
Week 2: Mar 25-31	1,387	800	1,325	878	566	220	5,176
Week 3: Apr 1-7	1,518	800	1,643	878	765	210	5,814
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	1,302	911	587	232	186	141	3,359
Week 2: Mar 25-31	1,547	800	794	237	186	195	3,759
Week 3: Apr 1-7	1,703	800	1,018	331	186	160	4,198
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	2,386	2,358	1,682	1,469	1,429	333	9,657
Week 2: Mar 25-31	2,386	2,641	800	1,995	1,415	339	9,576
Week 3: Apr 1-7	2,386	2,844	800	2,526	1,802	320	10,678
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	452	261	193	97	77	10	1,090
Week 2: Mar 25-31	536	355	278	50	118	10	1,347
Week 3: Apr 1-7	625	409	363	50	67	10	1,524
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	55	11	5	.	.	.	71
Week 2: Mar 25-31	70	15	5	.	.	.	90
Week 3: Apr 1-7	68	16	5	.	.	.	89

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	714	3...150
40ft	901	56...250
40ft High Cubes	1,539	87...400
40ft Refrigerated	113	0...36
20ft Refrigerated	17	0...10

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Norfolk							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	299	216	190	183	158	8	1,054
Week 2: Mar 25-31	200	217	213	183	210	-6	1,017
Week 3: Apr 1-7	200	242	247	183	251	-10	1,113
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	280	187	148	48	19	-17	665
Week 2: Mar 25-31	300	150	158	48	-24	-4	628
Week 3: Apr 1-7	259	200	166	48	-30	-35	608
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	778	663	523	400	282	-55	2,591
Week 2: Mar 25-31	778	715	574	400	618	-39	3,046
Week 3: Apr 1-7	778	756	568	300	746	-39	3,109
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	176	152	94	81	10	-4	509
Week 2: Mar 25-31	30	130	46	72	10	-56	232
Week 3: Apr 1-7	30	112	-2	60	10	-29	181
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	10	5	1	.	.	.	16
Week 2: Mar 25-31	13	5	1	.	.	.	19
Week 3: Apr 1-7	14	5	1	.	.	.	20

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	338	1...175
40ft	797	8...200
40ft High Cubes	1,035	74...300
40ft Refrigerated	139	0...58
20ft Refrigerated	6	0...5

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Oakland							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	350	225	74	23	-59	-358	255
Week 2: Mar 25-31	350	226	22	37	100	-524	211
Week 3: Apr 1-7	350	180	34	59	100	-508	215
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	360	264	180	125	69	24	1,022
Week 2: Mar 25-31	358	302	152	100	62	24	998
Week 3: Apr 1-7	309	337	142	100	70	24	982
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	1,190	986	241	234	95	-121	2,625
Week 2: Mar 25-31	1,192	986	300	320	109	-167	2,740
Week 3: Apr 1-7	1,123	986	400	337	103	-194	2,755
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	313	184	177	30	20	-83	641
Week 2: Mar 25-31	315	100	134	30	-52	-120	407
Week 3: Apr 1-7	264	100	117	30	17	-156	372
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	24	19	10	.	.	.	53
Week 2: Mar 25-31	24	19	10	.	.	.	53
Week 3: Apr 1-7	22	19	10	.	.	.	51

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	853	26...250
40ft	899	14...300
40ft High Cubes	1,199	34...400
40ft Refrigerated	358	26...120
20ft Refrigerated	24	0...8

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Savannah							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	395	338	333	284	271	55	1,676
Week 2: Mar 25-31	395	200	537	389	336	63	1,920
Week 3: Apr 1-7	395	200	615	491	421	45	2,167
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	556	255	232	208	179	-41	1,389
Week 2: Mar 25-31	567	302	232	200	286	-36	1,551
Week 3: Apr 1-7	570	425	232	200	188	-40	1,575
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	1,435	744	355	56	41	41	2,672
Week 2: Mar 25-31	2,552	744	343	100	-24	30	3,745
Week 3: Apr 1-7	2,832	744	330	100	-8	28	4,026
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	169	154	37	34	10	-2	402
Week 2: Mar 25-31	128	116	43	25	10	-37	285
Week 3: Apr 1-7	82	107	49	50	10	-48	250
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	11	2	1	.	.	.	14
Week 2: Mar 25-31	14	2	1	.	.	.	17
Week 3: Apr 1-7	17	2	1	.	.	.	20

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	449	0...150
40ft	982	0...409
40ft High Cubes	1,450	21...385
40ft Refrigerated	221	0...80
20ft Refrigerated	4	0...2

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Seattle							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	400	384	196	23	-9	.	994
Week 2: Mar 25-31	200	384	196	35	-50	.	765
Week 3: Apr 1-7	200	384	199	32	-52	.	763
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	264	196	161	15	1	.	637
Week 2: Mar 25-31	224	196	100	-3	12	.	529
Week 3: Apr 1-7	191	196	100	-16	17	.	488
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	121	82	25	-59	-498	.	-329
Week 2: Mar 25-31	100	-17	-4	-63	-498	.	-482
Week 3: Apr 1-7	100	-152	-35	-95	-498	.	-680
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	568	20	-9	-10	-33	.	536
Week 2: Mar 25-31	483	20	300	13	-142	.	674
Week 3: Apr 1-7	445	20	200	12	-252	.	425
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	71	21	1	.	.	.	93
Week 2: Mar 25-31	86	19	1	.	.	.	106
Week 3: Apr 1-7	87	16	1	.	.	.	104

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	172	29...70
40ft	263	7...91
40ft High Cubes	462	104...148
40ft Refrigerated	172	0...122
20ft Refrigerated	7	0...5

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Tacoma							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	158	88	42	28	.	.	316
Week 2: Mar 25-31	71	93	42	40	.	.	246
Week 3: Apr 1-7	-138	70	42	80	.	.	54
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	139	118	79	22	.	.	358
Week 2: Mar 25-31	94	118	49	40	.	.	301
Week 3: Apr 1-7	-56	118	60	80	.	.	202
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	194	106	85	-822	.	.	-437
Week 2: Mar 25-31	194	50	54	-1,213	.	.	-915
Week 3: Apr 1-7	194	100	59	-2,064	.	.	-1,711
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	75	30	5	-390	.	.	-280
Week 2: Mar 25-31	45	15	5	-430	.	.	-365
Week 3: Apr 1-7	5	20	5	-246	.	.	-216
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Mar 18-24	1	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Mar 25-31	1	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Apr 1-7	1	.	.	.	.	.	1

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	383	1...300
40ft	671	15...500
40ft High Cubes	797	76...600
40ft Refrigerated	493	0...203
20ft Refrigerated	4	0...4

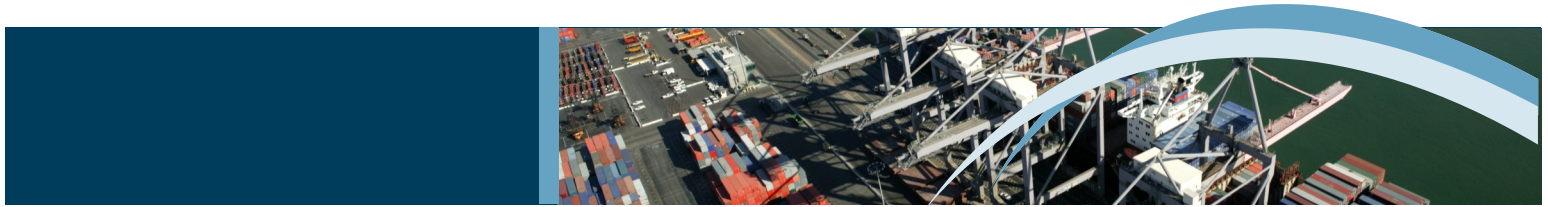
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Understanding this Report

The weekly Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OCSAR) provides a snapshot of container availability for westbound transpacific trade lanes at select intermodal locations around the country. The data presented in this report are gathered from 6 member carriers in the Transpacific Stabilization Agreement (TSA). The TSA carriers include COSCO, Evergreen, Hanjin Shipping, Hapag Lloyd, Yang Ming Transport Corporation, and OOCL.

- The data are estimates of container availability per week by the participating carriers. The carriers determine container availability by comparing current supplies at each of the 18 intermodal locations with the demand for these containers based on up-to-date bookings or reservation information in the westbound transpacific trade lane.
- Each week, participating carriers report the estimated number of containers available for the current week (W1) as well as estimates for the subsequent 2 weeks (W2 and W3).
- Maps on pages 3–5 offer a national overview of weekly container availability, as well as an average of availability over the past 6 months. The weekly national data are derived from the sum of the individual carrier responses at each intermodal location.
- Individual carrier responses are presented by location on pages 6–23 and have been sorted from largest to smallest. To maintain carrier confidentiality, specific carrier identification is not provided.
- Carrier responses showing negative numbers, such as -29, should be interpreted as meaning that 29 containers are needed by shippers but the carrier is not able to supply them. A positive number, such as 64, would mean 64 containers are available that are not demanded. An indication of 0 means the carriers have the exact amount of containers needed based on current supply and demand estimates.
- In addition to the weekly container availability data, the participating carriers provide average weekly throughput data for the past 6 months. These data help readers understand the aggregate flow of containers that have moved through the 18 select locations by the 8 participating carriers over the previous 6 months. These data will only be updated every 6 months.
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 - 40ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 40 feet long.
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